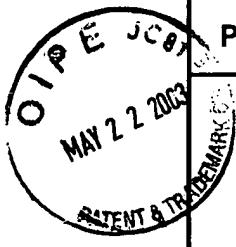


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)



In re Application of Lee A. BULLA, Jr. and Mehmet CANDAS	
Application Number 09/696,801	Filed October 25, 2000
For: GENE MINING SYSTEM & METHOD	
Group Art Unit 1631	Examiner Lori A. Clow

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows
(check time period desired):

<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ 410.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 205.00

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 03-1952

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

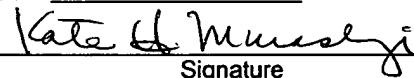
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assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
 attorney or agent of record.
 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 29,959

May 19, 2003

Date


Signature

Kate H. Murashige
Typed or Printed Name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below



forms are submitted.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

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